



## BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Motor Vehicle Accident	December 26, 2014 @ 12:30 A.M.	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
14BU35801	Pearl St. @ South Willard St.	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Officer Ethan Czyzewski	802-540-2327	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Sgt. Paul Petralia # 147	Sgt. Paul Petralia # 147	
Operator # 1	AGE:	Operator address
Unknown	N/A	N/A
Operator # 2	AGE:	Operator address
N/A	N/A	N/A
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
N/A		

On December 26, 2014 at approximately 12:30 A.M., members of the Burlington Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to the area of Pearl St. and South Willard St. for multiple calls reporting a gas leak resulting from a possible motor vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers identified an active natural gas leak at a residence in the area. Burlington Fire Department personnel evacuated area residences while emergency crews worked to isolate and stop the leak. Once the leak was stopped and the area was verified as being safe, the evacuated residents were allowed to go back inside their residences. There were not any injuries reported during the incident.

Investigation revealed that a vehicle struck the meter alongside the apartment building, causing the gas leak, and then left the scene without stopping. The vehicle should have rear end damage and a broken taillight lens. Anybody with information about the accident is asked to contact Officer Ethan Czyzewski at 802-540-2327.

*Respect ~ Honor ~ Remember*

*Officer James P. McGrath, end of watch May 12, 1904; Officer J. Albert Fisher, end of watch December 15, 1947;  
Officer Robert W. Provost, end of watch January 13, 1954*